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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED APRIL 25, 2002**

Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Commissioner:

Responsive to the Office action of April 25, 2002, a Request for Continued Examination pursuant to 37 CFR §1.114 is being filed concurrently herewith. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw the finality of the Office action and amend the above-identified as indicated below. For the Examiner's convenience, and in compliance with 37 CFR §1.121, a marked up version of the application showing all the changes relative to the previous version of the application is attached to this response as Appendix A.

In the Specification:

Please delete the first paragraph in the "Summary of the Invention" added by way of Amendment dated December 26, 2001, and replace with the following:

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In one aspect of the present invention, an inductive coil for an electromotive device includes a pair of concentric conductive sheet metal winding portions each comprising a plurality of axially extending conductive bands each being separated from an adjacent conductive band by a space, each of the conductive bands of one of the winding portions being coupled to one of the conductive bands of the other winding portion, the winding portions being encapsulated in a